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# BREAK INTO DANZIG DEFENSIVE BELT



**Rescue Flood Victims:** A police boat carries flood victims through the downtown section of Cincinnati, one of the cities hit hardest when the swollen Ohio River burst over its banks. The floods threaten extensive war manufacture in the Ohio Valley and have affected a four-state area. [Story on Back Page.]

## Soviets Seize Bastions 24 Mi. From Port; Gain on Stettin

LONDON, March 7 (UP).—Marshal Joseph Stalin issued three Orders of the Day today covering major Soviet victories on the approaches to Danzig and Stettin and in Czechoslovakia, while German broadcasters said that the Red Army had launched a new offensive on the Oder River line and swept to within 29 miles of Berlin.

Marshal Gregory Zhukov's troops in Pomerania overran the last important points before Stettin, capturing the road junction of Gollnow 12 miles northeast of the city and Massow 20 miles to the east, and smashed up to Stettin Bay at Stepenitz, 14 miles north of the port, Stalin announced.

Soviet artillery had blocked off the bay to German shipping and turned vessels bringing refugees from the German pockets in East Prussia and Latvia back into the Baltic, where they were being attacked by Soviet planes.

Stalin announced that Red Army forces to the east had broken through Danzig's formidable defensive belt and seized the fortresses of Starogard and Gniew in a plunge to within 24 miles of the former free port.

### GAIN ON CZECH FRONT

Stalin revealed in his first Order of the Day that troops of the Second Ukrainian Front under Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky captured Banska Stiavica, described as a "powerful stronghold of the German defense" in Czechoslovakia. It is 105 miles east of Vienna.

His second order saluted troops of the Second White Russian Front commanded by 43 generals for the breakthrough south of Danzig. Starogard lies 23 miles south of the city and Gniew 33 miles to the southeast.

The Soviet government newspaper Izvestia said that "on all roads leading to Berlin there is visible evidence of the furious battles our troops now are waging."

Other Soviet dispatches said that in an unidentified sector the Red Army forced a river—perhaps the Oder east of Berlin—penetrated the depth of Nazi defenses, and seized a major transport network.

## Japanese Massacred 2,500 Manila Filipinos in 7 Days of Horror

U.S. 14TH CORPS HEADQUARTERS, Luzon, March 7 (UP). — The Japanese burned and stabbed to death more than 2,500 Filipino civilians during seven horrible days inside Manila's ancient walled city while it was besieged by American troops, the written record of a witness disclosed today.

In the worst mass atrocity incident of the entire Pacific war, the defeat-crazed Japanese trapped in Intramuros arbitrarily classified practically all male civilians as "guerillas."

The account said the penalty for being a "guerilla" was death. Some civilians were thrown into dungeons and shot; others were doused with gasoline and burned, many were bayoneted to death.

In one dungeon under old Fort Santiago, troops of the U.S. 129th Infantry Regiment found 300 bodies, including those of two women. An official report said they were locked behind a massive steel door far underground and it was evident from the condition of the bodies that they had starved to death.

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# Morgenthau Meets GOP Attacks on Bretton Woods

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., faced a savage onslaught by isolationists on both sides of the long U-shaped table in the House Banking and Currency Committee room today when he advocated the Bretton Woods legislation as "definitely good business for the United States."

At one point, Rep. Jesse Wolcott (R-Mich) conservative ranking minority member of the committee who was a delegate to the Bretton Woods, reminded the committee that if it began amending the agreements it would encourage the House of Commons to do likewise. Other nations, he stressed, had agreed reluctantly to such provisions as the one that the home office for administering the International Bank and Monetary Fund would be in this country.

Rep. Jessie Sumner (R-Ill), sweetheart of the Chicago Tribune, led the attack on the proposed legislation, which she made into an attack on the Secretary by alluding to the stabilization fund the Treasury operated in recent years and asking:

"Do you feel your handling of that fund in any way brought on the war?"

Morgenthau, and many spectators and committee members, laughed. "Oh, you're accusing yourself," Miss Sumner said to the Secretary, who had testified concerning depreciated currencies and cutthroat competition of the thirties. "I'm not accusing you. I think you handled it all right."

"Thank you, I agree with you there," said the Secretary, smiling.

**FOES HOG FLOOR**

Competing with Miss Sumner in hogging the floor to attack the proposed legislation were William B. Barry (D-NY), former associate of America Firsters, Frederick Smith (R-O) and Fred J. Crawford (R-Mich).

## Mrs. Roosevelt Lauds Soviet Women's War Role

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, March 7.—In observance of International Women's Day over a nationwide broadcast today, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt paid high tribute to our Soviet ally and said that to gain the postwar victory of permanent peace we must maintain the unity forged of war.

Others speaking with the nation's First Lady on the broadcast sponsored by the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, were Madame Andrei A. Gromyko, wife of the Soviet Ambassador and the wives of French Ambassador Henri Bonnet and British Minister of Far Eastern Affairs, Lady Sansom.

Mrs. Roosevelt said foundations for a firm and lasting peace can be established only if the peoples of various nations "can guarantee that the spirit which brings about cooperation in war will last in the years that follow the war."

Praising the war role of civilians as well as soldiers in the Soviet Union, she said it "meant the greatest sacrifice for you because you were developing your economy and a social plan which had to give way to the necessities of war."

**EXCHANGE GREETING**

In reply to Mrs. Gromyko's "warmest greeting from the women of the Soviet Union" to the women of America, Mrs. Roosevelt said American women have a great interest about their sisters in the USSR.

"We know that your strength is

Morgenthau told the committee, "These agreements can be translated into the basic necessities of life for the American people."

"They involve jobs and profits," he went on. "They govern the amount of food on the family table, the money for a radio, schoolbooks for the children. Our country has as much to gain, perhaps more, than any other from passage of the legislation now before you."

The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development would make loans only for "thoroughly productive purposes," he stressed, and was so hedged about with safeguards as to insure sound practices. "Its functions have been formulated so that private finance will be rather helped than hindered by its operation," he declared.

He urged passage of the agreements without delays or amendments, which would necessitate convening another conference.

"At Bretton Woods," he said, "we had our chance to begin building postwar monetary stability. We made the most of it. But it is unlikely that this opportunity will come again to our generation."

**PART OF WORLD SECURITY**

The world security organization which will be completed at San Francisco "needs the Bretton Woods agreements," he said. "We cannot say we believe in cooperation to beat fascism but will not cooperate in the removal of one of fascism's chief weapons — economic aggression," he went on.

Rep. Wright Patman (D-Tex) asked if it would not strengthen the hands of the U.S. delegates at San Francisco if they went there with Bretton Woods legislation completed.

made up of peoples of many different strains and yet you are welded together in spite of the great expanse of your country into one great nation just as we are," she said.

Mrs. Gromyko said Soviet women

*Statements from outstanding American women leaders on International Women's Day appear on page 10. Because of the lack of space the sports page, which usually appears there is omitted. Sports news appears elsewhere in the paper. The sports page will be resumed tomorrow.*

have a great admiration for contributions American women are making to the war against Nazism.

"They know what a great part the American women are playing in production of planes, tanks, jeeps and other war materials used by the Allied armies," she said.

"Common efforts of millions of U. S. women and the Soviet Union in the fight against the common enemy are contributing toward further friendship between the women of our countries," said Mrs. Gromyko.

Mrs. Roosevelt said she hoped "we can work together on social and political measures for the benefit of mankind," and concluded with the suggestion that the mutual exchange of knowledge during the war years, "is a good foundation on which to build our future friendship and understanding."

Morgenthau agreed. This was seized on by Crawford, Barry and Sumner as an attempt to railroad the legislation, until, under Wolcott's questioning, Morgenthau said plainly he merely answered a question, and that he was not pushing the committee.

"It seems to me you would just be robbing yourself of your diplomatic weapon before the San Francisco conference if you passed it now," said Miss Sumner.

"If San Francisco had to depend on the big stick, I think it should fail. Actually it will succeed wholly because nations have confidence in each other," Morgenthau replied.

George E. Outland (D-Calif) observed that "the less we in Congress refer to bargaining weapons to hold over the heads of other nations the more leadership we can exert in world affairs."

## Bribery Seen Fay, Bove Plea

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## Helen Douglas to Speak At World Unity Rally

Rep. Helen Gahagan Douglas of Los Angeles, actress wife of the movie star, Melvin Douglas, will be a speaker at the CIO-sponsored world unity rally at Madison Square Garden next Monday night, CIO president Philip Murray announced yesterday. Mrs. Douglas was elected last November to Congress with CIO support.

The rally will emphasize labor's place in world affairs and the need for labor representation in all conferences affecting relations between nations, Murray added.

A feature of the program will be the first public report of the proceedings of the London World Trade Union Conference, with Sidney Hillman and R. J. Thomas, CIO delegates, speaking for the American delegation.

Other speakers will include Mr. Murray, Soviet Ambassador Andrei Gromyko, Mayor LaGuardia and representatives of the U. S. and British governments.

A special meeting of the CIO



REP. HELEN DOUGLAS

executive board at the Hotel Commodore in New York Saturday will precede the rally.

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untary" American labor was out-producing "compulsory" workers in Britain and the Soviet Union.

This comparison is unfair to our allies shouted the angry Majority Leader.

**GREAT RESOURCES**

"America," he continued, "has inexhaustible resources as compared to Britain. Our cities have not been bombed, our civilians murdered. Our workers are not attending the funerals of their fellows killed from the skies."

And as to the Soviet Union, he said:

"Russia is doing a great job. The Russians are a great people."

It is true, he pointed out that the Russians have only been industrializing for the last 25 years.

"But they are doing a great job."

America must pass legislation to speed up production for the gigantic war tasks ahead in the Pacific, said the senior Kentucky Senator. The country cannot wait.

Later Chandler admitted to reporters that among the Senators voting against the Bailey amendment were those who wanted no manpower bill.

And Sen. Elbert D. Thomas, (D-Utah), Military Affairs Committee chairman, quietly told Chandler that he was one of those who wanted no bill.

Thomas himself, however, voted against the Bailey amendment. But he does want a manpower bill.

## Four Arrested For Charity Fraud

Four men were arrested yesterday for allegedly collecting close to \$100,000 a year in contributions for a fraudulent organization called the American Catholic Orthodox Church. The announcement made by District Attorney Frank Hogan said that one of the men has assumed the title of Archbishop.

The indictment carried a charge of conspiracy and 13 counts, accusing the men of fraudulently obtaining money for charitable purposes.

## Gets DFC Award

HEADQUARTERS OF THE 13TH AIR FORCE, March 7 (UP).—Sabu, former child actor from India who won fame with films as "Elephant Boy" was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross today.



# 3d U. S. Army Reaches Rhine

## Punish Goebbels, Ribbentrop: Eden

LONDON, March 7 (UP).—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden announced in Parliament today that the British government considers Dr. Joseph Goebbels, Nazi propaganda minister, and Joachim von Ribbentrop, foreign minister, as major war criminals within the scope of the Moscow Conference declaration of 1943.

## Bonomi in Crisis, Acts on Purge

ROME, March 7 (UP).—The Italian cabinet met twice today in an effort to calm a tense political situation resulting from the escape of Gen. Mario Roatta while on trial as a war criminal.

The executive committee of the Communist Party issued a formal warning that all Communist ministers and undersecretaries will resign unless Premier Ivanoe Bonomi immediately effects wide sweeping changes in Italy's internal policies.

The afternoon cabinet session which lasted seven hours decided to invite both the Socialist and Action parties to join the cabinet. Before the meeting executives of the four government parties—Labor-Democrats, Christian-Democrats, Liberals and Communists—had met to decide whether to continue in it.

### HEATED SESSION

The cabinet decided, after a heated discussion, that neither the Roatta escape nor the riots made it necessary to break up the four party coalition but that an addition of the other two parties would strengthen the government. It was decided to appoint a special four-minister committee to put into concentration camps or work camps all "Fascists who menace the Italian social order."

[In Moscow, Red Star commentator Konstantin Hoffman wrote that Roatta's "escape" was obviously planned by conspirators having associates in the administrative apparatus.]

Demonstrations in which two persons were killed and at least seven wounded continued throughout the night in protest against the government's laxity in permitting Roatta to escape Sunday night.

### POLICE CALLED OUT

Special police patrols were inspecting all embassies and legations. Road blocks were thrown across all highways leading out of the city and all vehicles were inspected.

Later it was announced that the government had appointed Gen. Brunetto Brunetti commander of Carabinieri, replacing Gen. Orlando Visconti, now under investigation as the result of Roatta's escape.

## India Troops Advance To 4½ Mi. of Mandalay

WITH BRITISH 14TH ARMY IN CENTRAL BURMA, March 7 (UP).—The 19th Indian Division today swept to within 4½ miles north of Mandalay against lessening opposition while troops of the Chinese First Army captured the ancient section of the Burma Road town of Lashio and its adjacent airfield.

The 19th Division, moving south along the Irrawaddy toward Burma's second city where 30,000 Japanese combat troops have been cut off, advanced 14 miles through hilly country to get into artillery range.

## 10 Towns Won In North Italy

ROME, March 7 (UP).—Supported by tanks and tank destroyers, Fifth Army troops have breached heavily defended German mountain positions in a spectacular eight-mile breakthrough, seized six important heights and 10 towns, and swept up 1,200 German prisoners, Allied headquarters announced today.

The "limited objective" offensive was launched in the sector west of the Pistoia-Bologna road approximately 30 miles southwest of Bologna.

The most northerly point of penetration was achieved by American doughboys who captured the town of Castel D'Alano, eight miles northeast of Mt. Belvedere. Brazilian troops swung out to the east to occupy the mountain hamlet of Castelnuovo, 11 miles east northeast of Belvedere.

### Offer Bills on Vet Civil Service Jobs

ALBANY, March 7.—Two rival bills proposing constitutional amendments to give war veterans preference in civil service jobs were ready for floor debate today after being reported out by the Assembly Judiciary Committee. The Downey-Sherman proposal would give veterans unlimited preference while the Wicks-Mitchell bill would extend only a 10-point preference to disabled ex-servicemen in exams and a five-point preference to non-disabled vets.

The second measure would wipe out the present veterans' law which gives disabled vets top listings for any civil service job for which they compete.

### BULLETIN

PARIS, March 7 (UP).—Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army tanks reached the Rhine River northwest of Coblenz today, completing a 60-mile dash from Bitburg in two days and threatening to encircle all remaining German forces west of the Rhine and north of the Moselle River.

PARIS, March 7 (UP).—Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army tanks, in sweeping new advances, rolled to within 10 miles of Coblenz today, while the U. S. First Army stormed the outskirts of Bonn, university city south of captured Cologne. A security news blackout was clamped on both armies and their exact gains were not known, but at last reports



A lone GI patrols what was once a street in Zulpich, Germany. Before him is one of the ancient city gates.

Patton's men had made a 17-mile dash to reach Polch, 10 miles from Coblenz, and Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' First Army men, were fighting in Alfther, three miles west of Bonn. The two armies together were forging an encirclement of all the remaining Germans north of the Moselle River and west of the Rhine. Patton's famous 4th Armored Division stretched the southern wall of the encirclement another 17 miles east in a dash from Schoenbach through Monreal to Polch.

Hodges' troops, forging the northern wall, crumbled German defenses before Bonn and raced south and west toward the Rhine and a junction with Patton's tanks somewhere along the west bank.

### BONN BRIDGE INTACT

Front reports previous to the news blackout said the First Army advanced as much as seven miles south of Bonn in a drive that overran 27 to 30 towns without a fight.

The Germans appeared to be making no effort to evacuate their forces across the Bonn bridge, if there were any left in the town. The bridge, 1,370 feet long and 40 feet wide, was reported still intact although not being used for vehicular traffic.

With a peacetime population of 98,702, Bonn is estimated to have been one-fourth destroyed by two major air attacks, the last one on Feb. 4.

In the north, Allied troops hammered steadily at the German bridgehead around Wesel, constricting the enemy's foothold to a five-mile radius with the flanks anchored on the Rhine at Ossenber and Xanten.

Between these towns the Germans were forced back to a line running from Alpen through Bonninghardt to Veen. British troops at Alpen held a 150-foot hill overlooking the village and dominating the Winnethaler Canal, last major stream before the Rhine.

Attacking from the south, L. Gen. William H. Simpson's Ninth Army taskforces drove a mile and a half north of captured Rheinberg to Ossenber, and captured Budberg and Eversael in mopping up around Rheinberg.

German guns north of Ossenber were raining shells on the Americans at such a rate it appeared they were attempting to expend all their remaining ammunition before falling back across the Rhine.

Some Nazi troops posing as civilians were discovered in the Krefeld area, and Allied officers presumed the same situation existed in other areas behind the lines as fanatical Nazis went underground to harass their conquerors.

Over 900 heavy bombers and 250 fighters of the U. S. 8th Air Force blasted three benzol plants and an oil refinery in the Ruhr. They also struck at four railway yards and a viaduct.

### Eden Discusses

### Poland in Commons

LONDON, March 7 (UP).—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, discussing Poland in the House of Commons today, said: "If the necessary atmosphere of confidence is to be created which alone can ensure the success of the present consultations in Moscow, it is imperative both that the Lublin administration should take no measures against Poles merely because they do not recognize their authority, and that such Poles should cease active resistance to local authorities which endangers the lines of communication of the advancing Russian armies."

Eden announced that the Soviet Union, at Britain's request, is releasing Mme. Tomasz Arciszewski, wife of the premier of the exile government.

## Stassen Outlines Security Proposals

MINNEAPOLIS, March 7 (UP).—Cmdr. Harold E. Stassen, former Republican governor of Minnesota, tonight sketched a seven-point program which he said would dedicate the United States to the principle of the interdependence of all nations.

Stassen spoke at a public meeting sponsored by the Minnesota United Nations Committee. It was his first address on foreign policy since he resigned office to enter the Navy in 1943, and was broadcast over CBS.

Stassen, who will be a delegate to the United Nations Conference at San Francisco, proposed the following as cardinal points for this nation's future world policy:

1—Cooperation with our present allies to build an organization of United Nations, based on justice and law and insured by force.

2—Abandonment of the extreme principle of nationalistic sovereignty.

3—Linking of the future welfare, peace and happiness of the people of the United States with that of the people of the rest of the world.

4—Use of America's vast productive capacity, capital, credit and technical skill to raise living standards throughout the world.

5—Freedom of information through press, radio, school and forum.

### CURE AGGRESSORS

6—Stripping the aggressors in this war of all means to make war; maintaining our own strength to join the other United Nations as a police power.

7—Keeping the United States "a democracy of free citizens with an economic system of private capital and individual enterprise."

Stassen said he hoped that the proposed world organization would

provide for the development of a basic worldwide law.

Adoption of world laws would necessitate a United Nations court with worldwide jurisdiction, he said, and that in turn would call for a police force to enforce the court's decisions. He emphasized, however, that he did not mean an all-powerful police force of a super state.

"Let us also make it clear that the United Nations organization does not mean breaking up any of the stable associations of nations now in existence," he said. "On the contrary, we seek to build on these cornerstones of stability a worldwide beginning for order and justice and peace in place of chaos and tragedy and war."

Japan and Germany should be returned to self-government only after they have made reparations and paid penalties and indemnities under the military rule of the victorious countries, he said. Then a gradual development of self-government should begin through education, he said.

Stassen also warned against expecting a utopian postwar era.

### WLB Grants Vets Service Increases

WASHINGTON, March 7 (UP).—When a returning veteran resumes his old job, he is entitled to all length-of-service wage increases granted in his absence and which he would have gained if continuously employed.

This principle was stated by the War Labor Board today in affirming a decision handed down by the Chicago Regional Board which said that seniority wage rights for veterans were "intended to be in full conformance with the Selective Service Act."



# State Senate Passes 2 Measures Aimed at Limiting Right to Vote

By MAX GORDON

ALBANY, March 7.—The Senate today passed two election laws, sponsored by Sen. Charles O. Burney, Buffalo Republican, which would dangerously limit the vote in New York State.

One limits the circularization of designating petitions for independent nomination to six weeks. The other requires that an employee who wants to take two hours off from voting on election day must first prove to his employer that he does not have two hours for voting on his own time.

Democrats fought the second measure as a device to cut down the vote in urban centers, particularly New York, but were defeated 34 to 21 on a straight party division.

Senators Alex Falk, Manhattan Democrat, and Pliny Williamson, Westchester Republican, opposed the limitation on independent petitions. Both measures are in the Assembly Judiciary Committee.

These bills are part of a whole series of measures attacking the franchise. Another Burney measure, passed by the Senate and now in the Assembly Judiciary Committee, would require all independent nominating petitions to be circulated and witnessed by people living in the same county or assembly district in which the petition is circulated. At present, anyone in the state can circulate a petition anywhere else.

Another bill, introduced by Assemblyman John R. Brook, Manhattan Democrat, would eliminate an election law providing that if a nominating petition appears valid on its face, it must be accepted by the election authorities. This would allow these authorities to throw out petitions if they feel like it.

Assemblyman Brook pushed through the Assembly another election measure, after a bitter fight led by Assemblyman Leo Isacson, American Laborite from the Bronx, which provides that cards be issued to every New York City voter at the time of registration, giving page and line of his registry, which he presents when he goes to vote. Though it does not make presentation of these cards mandatory, Assemblyman Isacson and others insisted that where voters lost their cards they might be deterred from going to the polls, thereby cutting the vote by many thousands.

A series of bills by Assemblyman Orlo M. Brees, Binghamton Republican, would prohibit any candidate from entering a primary or general election unless he is an enrolled member of the party in which he is entered. The purpose is to prevent party coalitions.

## Tobin Disowns Wage Editorial

INDIANAPOLIS, March 7 (UP).—Daniel J. Tobin, president of the AFL International Teamsters Union, today repudiated an editorial urging support of the Little Steel wage formula which appeared in the union's magazine of which he is editor.

The union leader said the editorial, in the March issue of the International Teamster, was contrary to his views and had "escaped" his attention before publication.

Associate editor Lester M. Hunt admitted writing the article because he "believed somebody should warn labor what lies ahead."

## Isacson Charges Telephone Tax Grab

Special to the Daily Worker

ALBANY, March 7.—Charging an attempted grab by the telephone companies, Assemblyman Leo Isacson (ALP-R, Bronx) yesterday succeeded in postponing for one week committee action on the Van Duser Bill which would exempt telephone companies from taxation of their telephone instruments, station apparatus, exchange switchboards, properties and appurtenances in the premises of subscribers.

Assemblyman Isacson, who acted at the instance of Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, stated, "At a time when municipalities are distressed by severe limitations on their sources of revenue—at a time when they have had to impose a burden on low income groups in the form of a sales tax, this bill would deprive them of income they urgently require."

## Chiropractic Issue in Albany

ALBANY, March 7.—A public hearing on the Brees measure to license chiropractors brought a large crowd to Albany today. Chiropractors' spokesmen held they are performing a vital service and that licensing would drive the incompetent out of the business.

Spokesmen for the medical profession argued that such a move would endanger sick people who needed regular medical services but might go to chiropractors instead. The issue has agitated the Legislature for the past several years.

## Italians Gets 25,000 Packages From U.S.

Twenty-five thousand packages, sent parcel post from the United States to Rome, Palermo, Naples and the Vatican City, have been received, according to official information received by Justice Juvenal Marchisio, president of American Relief for Italy, Inc.



Prime Minister Winston Churchill in Juelich, Germany, meets with commanders of western front fighting forces. Against the background of a captured German fort, they are (left to right): Maj. Gen. Raymond McClain, commander, 19th Corps; Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery, commander, 21st Army Group; Churchill; Maj. Gen. Alvin Gillem, commander, 13th Corps; Field Marshal Sir Alan Brooke, chief of the British Imperial General Staff; Lieut. Gen. W. H. Simpson, commander, U.S. Ninth Army. (U.S. Signal Corps Radiophoto)

## S. I. Leaders Concerned Over Street Brawls

By JOHN MELDON and EUGENE GORDON

Municipal leaders on Staten Island were taking action yesterday to bring under control, and if necessary stamp out by law enforcement, a growing series of incidents between servicemen and the civilian population.

Various civic leaders interviewed by the Daily Worker expressed confidence that the troops themselves were just as anxious as the Army and civilian authorities to have the handful of troublemakers dealt with.

The situation was brought to a head last week-end when a group of soldiers got into a street brawl with a civilian, Sherman Ivory, 25, of 2091 Richmond Terrace, Port Richmond, and stabbed him. The same group were charged with disarming and beating patrolman Stephen Crowe, attached to the St. George police station.

Farrell M. Kane, Richmond County district attorney, told the Daily Worker that until a recent series of minor brawls and some holdups of civilians, the civilian population

and the soldiers had gotten along splendidly.

"However," he said, "I am worried lest police, in the line of duty in breaking up a stick-up or street fight, may be compelled to fire . . . and all hell might break loose."

Mr. Kane said he was taking steps to get the cooperation of Negro and white leaders to help bring the situation back to normal.

New York Police Commissioner Lewis J. Valentine yesterday dispatched extra motorcycle police and plainclothesmen to Staten Island. Military authorities added extra M.P.'s, clamped down on leaves from Army posts, and imposed a 11 p.m. "bed check" at the Stapleton Army post. Despite reports in certain New York City newspapers, Staten Island police authorities and civic leaders were unanimous in declaring that no "crime wave" exists and stated they felt certain the minor disorders of recent weeks will be brought under control, in cooperation with the troops themselves.

A check on theatres and restaurants on the island revealed that troops never caused disturbances and were welcomed by the civilians. A Miss Devlin, assistant manager of the Paramount movie on Bay St., Stapleton, said: "We have hundreds of soldiers in here every night. Every one conducts himself in a gentlemanly manner."

Mrs. Helen Buss, cashier of the Ideal Restaurant, a large establishment in the area where several street brawls were reported, said: "Sometimes in the evenings, this restaurant is crowded with servicemen. We've never had any trouble."

The soldier population on Staten Island is composed of between 3,000 and 5,000 Negro troops, stationed at the big Fox Hills Terminal and about three times that many white troops at various localities.

In a recent issue of the "Bulletin" issued by the Negro troops, the white civilian population of Staten Island was praised for not discriminating against the Negroes.

### News Capsules

## Brooklyn Students Lead

BROOKLYN is proud of two of its youngsters—a 16-year-old boy and a 17-year-old girl—who won top honors out of a committee group of 15,000 high school seniors. EDWARD MALCOLM KOSOWER and MARION CECILE JOSWICK, will each receive a \$2,400 scholarship covering four years of college. The talent search is conducted yearly by Science Clubs of America. The awards are by Westinghouse Electric.

SENATOR JOSEPH GUFFEY, Democrat, of Pennsylvania, introduced a bill today to authorize the payment of one year's pay to every person honorably discharged from the armed forces after service subsequent to Dec. 7, 1941.

The new U. S. tank, the T-26, is "the American answer to the German Tiger," it was stated

yesterday by the WAR DEPARTMENT in commenting on reports that American soldiers on the Western Front have complained of the quality of the Army's tanks. The Senate War Investigating Committee and the Military Affairs Committee will be asked by Senators to look into the complaints, it was learned in Washington. . . . Production of T-26 tanks is being rushed in at least six Detroit plants.

The New York State APPELLATE DIVISION of the Supreme Court, Third Department, yesterday reinstated six indictments against defendants scheduled for trial as a result of the Albany crime investigation, and reversed the decision of Supreme Court Justice William H. Murray, Troy, that the Special Grand Jury ordered by Governor Dewey to carry on the investigation was not "legally formed."

## Ives Proposes State Health Insurance Bill

Special to the Daily Worker

ALBANY, March 7.—A state health insurance bill was introduced today by Assembly Majority Leader, Irving M. Ives, chairman of the Legislative Committee on Labor and Industry.

The bill is not intended for passage this year. It was introduced for purposes of discussion and study. The Ives Committee plans to hold public hearings on it throughout the state during the year, or possibly revise it in time for next year's legislative session.

It incorporates provisions for health service in the present unemployment insurance measure.

Finances are to be provided by a one percent tax on payrolls, levied on employers, and a one percent on wages under \$3,000, levied on employees. This is to be paid into a health service fund, to be kept by the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance, and to be disbursed by the State Industrial Commissioner. Money from the State Treasury is to be contributed to the fund if it should run short.

All employees covered by unemployment insurance are entitled to the health service, provided they earned at least \$100 in each of the two quarters preceding the date of the service. The proposed legislation specifies that services may be rendered "at the physician's office, in a hospital or clinic, or anywhere else within this state." Curiously, it fails to specify the patient's home.

Additional services are to be authorized by the Industrial Commissioner when the size of the fund permits.

All hospitals, doctors and dentists are entitled to register with the Industrial Commissioner for rendering this health service, and the person insured can pick any registered hospital, doctor or dentist he wishes. All conditions of payment, etc., are left to the Industrial Commissioner to prescribe. The Commissioner also is authorized to enter into contracts with any bona fide non-profit group for inclusion in the system.

The bill differs from a CIO-sponsored measure introduced by Assemblyman Bernard Austin, Brooklyn Democrat, in a few major particulars. The chief difference is that the CIO proposal provides for no employee contributions. This, however, has been criticized by progressive health specialists.

The Ives measure also suffers from the same limitation in coverage as the unemployment insurance set-up. It applies only to employers who employ more than three employees and it omits all non-profit organizations from its operation, including public employees. The CIO bill also provides much broader services.

The proposal, nevertheless, was hailed in labor and progressive circles as a major step in the State's social welfare program, and is expected to be strengthened through public hearings. Its introduction is a result of recognition by Assemblyman Ives of the widespread demand for a health insurance program, particularly by labor.

## Westinghouse UE Endorses Williams

Meeting here previous to opening of contract negotiations with the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co., leaders of Westinghouse locals of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, CIO, yesterday urged Congress to approve the nomination of Aubrey Williams as director of the Rural Electrification Administration.

# Greet World Labor Delegates, Garden, Monday



# Yanks Free 1,000 Allies From Nazi Hell Camp

By ROBERT VERMILLION

WITH THE AMERICAN SEVENTH ARMY, France, March 5 (Delayed) (UP).—More than 1,000 Allied war prisoners, dirty, diseased, crippled, some running, some marching, some hobbling, came out of the German hell camp of Stirling-wendel today.

They broke from the camp as infantrymen of the 274th Regiment under Col. Samuel (Shooting Sam) Conly, Van Wirt, O., approached.

There were 800 Russians, 140 Yugoslavs, 100 Italians, 25 Frenchmen and 20 Poles. Some of the Poles had been prisoners since 1939. Six hundred are tubercular, four have typhus, four are insane. Some were so ill they died a few hours after their liberation.

"Some," said Col. Conly, "had only one leg. Some collapsed when they tried to march. But when they walked past me they tried to salute. A Russian saluted with the stump of an arm. Both arms were gone. He grinned at me as he saluted."

Nurre had been detailed to take care of the prisoners. By the time they reached a temporary shelter, their line stretched out for two miles. Nurre collected all the jeeps he could to take in the weakest. Medical corps men did what they could and the prisoners helped each other.

"They were the most miserable lot I've ever seen," Nurre said. "But they were the happiest. They smiled, laughed and cried, and babbled thanks in five languages."

The prisoners crowded into the enclosure. American infantrymen

crowded round them, handing them cigarettes and candy.

"Then the same idea seemed to hit all our guys at once—those other Joes were starving," Nurre said.

The infantrymen got out their rations. They dumped them into a pile. A French medical captain, named camp commandant, appointed a commandant for each national group, and the food was distributed equally.

"Not one man wolfed his food," Nurre said. "They waited until each man had his share to eat their first real meal in months."

"The commandant stood up on a box and gave them the latest news, including the Russian approach to Berlin. Then the prisoners did something such as I had never seen. The Yugoslavs, Italians, Frenchmen and Poles collected all the cigarettes the Americans had given them and handed them to the Russian camp commandant in appreciation of the Red Army's victories. The Russians thanked them and handed back the cigarettes."

## Helium as Medicine

Most people connect helium with dirigibles, but this gas also plays an important part in the field of medicine, where it is used to treat pneumonia, asthma and other respiratory diseases.

## House Passes Bill to Draft Unmarried Nurses

WASHINGTON, March 7 (UP).—The House today passed legislation authorizing the draft of unmarried women nurses 20 through 44.

To forestall "marriage epidemics" to escape the draft, it stipulated that a graduate nurse would be considered "married" only if she was wed before March 15, 1945.

Passed by a 347-42 vote and deferred to the Senate, the bill was the House's answer to President Roosevelt's request for 20,000 nurses immediately to offset a shortage in the armed services.

The measure was thoroughly rewritten during two days of debate. In its present form, selective service boards will have the final say on which nurses should be taken for military service and in what order.

# Davis Named Economic Stabilizer, Taylor WLB Chief

WASHINGTON, March 7.—In a major shake-up on the government's labor front, President Roosevelt today appointed War Labor Board chairman William H. Davis as director of the Office of Economic Stabilization. George W. Taylor, who served as WLB vice chairman, will succeed Davis as head of WLB.

As OES director, Davis will have the opportunity to tackle the long-needed job of establishing close working cooperation between OES and the War Labor Board.

In his previous capacity of WLB chairman, Davis found himself stymied by the refusal of former OES director Fred Vinson, now Federal Loan Administrator to approve "fringe" wage increases which would have made possible some wage adjustments within the framework of the Little Steel formula.

Davis will be able to integrate more systematically the Administration's wage policy with the general economic stabilization program.

It had been the complaint of labor observers that, while a tight lid was clamped on wage increases, prices and profits were permitted to soar without adequate controls.

Taylor has frequently been criticized in labor circles. He is credited with shaping WLB policy in an inflexible direction which has ruled out bringing the Little Steel formula up to date and making other adjustments.

There was a strong feeling in labor circles that the dominant problem now is to develop a new wage policy. If Davis can succeed in doing this, the new setup may lead to unsnarling the difficult wage tangle.

In testimony before the Senate Banking and Currency Committee, today, Davis warned against permitting "fringe" wage increases to be used to upset the government's stabilization program. At the same time, he indicated that reasonable fringe adjustments would be sanctioned.

## Warn Negroes Of Matt Smith

Special to the Daily Worker

PITTSBURGH, March 7. — Matt Smith has gotten a sharp rebuff from the Pittsburgh Courier, Negro weekly. The Courier advises workers to join the CIO and AFL and steer clear of the Confederate Unions of America. This latter group is the catch-all of company and "independent" unions, which its president, Smith, notorious for his strikes and his opposition to the war, is trying to build up in the East. Affiliates are now confined mostly to Ohio and Michigan.

A correspondent for the Courier, Nat Middleton, attended a CUA meeting in Philadelphia last Sunday, and interviewed the only Negro present, C. E. Kendricks. He is president of the so-called "Pullman Porters Independent Union of New York City," which claims a national membership of 800. "He admitted," Middleton writes, "that the Confederate Unions of America was not as liberal on the race question as he had hoped."

"Mr. Kendricks is attempting to attract other Negroes to this organization. . . . I can see no reason why Negro workers should pay the slightest attention. . . . The wiser course seems to be to join the CIO and AFL in greater numbers and become a factor in these old-established labor organizations."

## Flaxer Urges Mine Seizure

Government seizure of the coal mines to prevent John L. Lewis from making good on his strike threat was urged yesterday by Abram Flaxer, president of the CIO State, County and Municipal Workers.

Flaxer sent a message to Solid Fuels Administrator Harold L. Ickes warning that a coal strike would jeopardize not only war industry but vital public services as well.

The 55,000 members of his union consider incitement to strike as bordering on treason, he said. He recommended seizure as the "first step toward insuring continued operation of the mines" and added that such action "will assure fair and equitable treatment" of miners' grievances.

## Pat Filley May Get Cornell Grid Post

ITHACA, N. Y., March 7 (UP).—Cornell University's athletic board next week will consider the recommendation that Pat Filley, star Notre Dame guard in 1943-44, be appointed assistant to new head coach Ed McKeever, athletic director Bob Kane announced today.

McKeever, who wants Filley, is expected to retain some of the five staff members who remained when former head coach Carl Snavely went to the University of North Carolina.

## Forest Fire Causes

Careless smokers constitute the greatest menace to American forests, causing 25.5 percent of the fires. Incendiaries rank second with a record of 24.8 percent.

## Women of America!

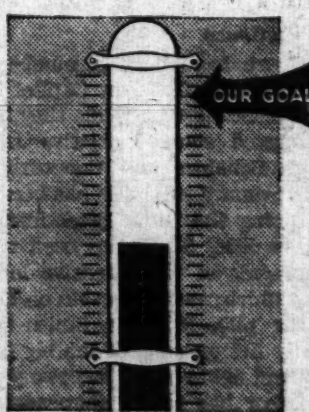
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4. SAVE water in which you cook hot dogs, sausages, and ham. Chill, and scoop off the fat.
5. KEEP the can (any tin can will do) on the back of the stove where it's handy. When full, take to your butcher. Get 2 red points and 4¢ for every pound. Start today!

## British Firm Apologizes to Harlem CPA Club

PROMISES TO REMOVE INSULTING SHOE POLISH TRADEMARK

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Gaulden, president of the Lincoln-Douglass Community Center of the Communist Political Association, and promised to correct its error, it was learned here this week.

R. O. Burlinson, joint managing director of Meltonian Ltd., in a letter to Mrs. Gaulden who protested the label of "Nigger Brown" for its shoe dressings, said it was never the intention of the company "to cause pain or insult to anyone, let alone your countrymen."

He promised that the trade label would be changed.

"To conclude," he said, "please convey our deep regret to the members of your association for this unintentional slight, and assure them we have a very great regard for Negro Americans. We hope that all those services who have fought alongside our boys and girls who have resided in this country will return with happy recollections of this association with our countrymen and their stay in Great Britain."

Mrs. Gaulden sent her communication to the British firm on Dec. 1944, shortly after a club delegation visited Bloomingdale's New York department store, and succeeded in having the shoe dressing removed from the shelves.

In her letter, Mrs. Gaulden explained that the trade label was a "derogatory term affecting the lives of some thirteen million Americans—and yes, even affecting the war effort."

## Urge Pressure For Vote on Polltax Bill

National Negro Congress councils throughout the nation have received action letters urging immediate pressure on their Congressmen to sign Anti-Polltax Discharge Petition No. 1. The petition, introduced in the House last Wednesday by Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP-NY), will bring the Anti-Polltax Bill out of the House Judiciary Committee when 218 Congressmen sign.

The letter reads in part:

"This year there are many Congressmen working in the House itself to obtain the necessary 218 signatures for the discharge petition. But their efforts must be thoroughly backed up by citizens from every state in the Union. Write your Congressman today! Ask him to sign at once, and inform your council when he has done so. 1945 must see the end of the polltax."

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## WHERE IT HURTS



## The Roatta Affair

LAST Sunday night a former Italian fascist chief of staff, Gen. Mario Roatta, walked out of a military hospital where he had been confined because of alleged illness during his trial as a war criminal. This Roatta was one of Mussolini's favorite generals in the attack on Republican Spain, and Marshal Tito had demanded his return to Yugoslavia to face charges for his brutalities.

How this character with a "bad heart" simply walked out of a hospital is obvious: he was assisted by important figures in the Italian military police. This incident so enraged the people of Rome that they held a great mass meeting on Tuesday, sponsored by the Socialists, Communist and Action parties. And when a section of the crowd tried to exercise their right of assembly and protest, the military police, the Carabinieri, charged on them and fired, killing one Italian and wounding bystanders.

At the same moment, a confession of guilt came from the Bonomi government, when Taddeo Orlando, chief of the Carabinieri, was suddenly dismissed. This character turns out to have been a general on Roatta's staff, and is also wanted for his crimes in Yugoslavia.

This is no mere incident in Italy. It raises fundamental issues of the entire direction of Italian democracy. It involves not only the future of the Bonomi government, but the policy of the Allies as well. The purge of fascists in a country which was ridden with fascism for 20 years is the first essential toward democratic rehabilitation. Countries like Bulgaria are showing what ought to be done in Italy too, and with the same speed and thoroughness. In Romania, the failure to purge the government, the army, the courts resulted in the overthrow of the former regime.

The people of Italy, through their democratic political parties, can be relied on to fight this issue out, but they need assistance from our own and the British people, too. After all, when Foreign Minister Anthony Eden tells the House of Commons (as he did last week) that Dino Grandi, Mussolini's former minister of justice, is not a war criminal, then it is easy to see why Italian police officials should try to block the punishment of Roatta. The American people must speak out on this matter. Our own government should make it very certain that no Allied officials in Rome are standing in the way of justice for Italian fascists.

## Fruits of Czarism in Unions

AFTER years of delay, the trials of Joseph S. Fay and James Bove, respectively vice-presidents of the Operating Engineers and Hod Carriers and Common Laborers unions of the AFL, are at last under way.

The disclosures, after only two days of testimony, should shock AFL members into shame and to action. The defense frankly concedes these two labor officials received hundreds of thousands of dollars from contractors but contends it wasn't extortion because they rendered a "service"—they supplied scab labor and lower rates.

The defense admitted what to 13 million unionists is the worst possible crime. Extortion or "voluntary" contribution, it amounts to the same racketeering reactionary leadership that we have seen exposed in the AFL time and again. The crime was the same when George Scalise, former president of the Building Service Employees, and some of his associates were jailed and when George Browne, president of the Stage Hands, and his pal Willie Bioff were convicted.

At no time in this long trail of such convictions; reaching into the AFL council's own membership, did the AFL leadership take any action. The exposure came from other sources and discipline came only through the courts.

If labor doesn't clean out its racketeers, laws will be enacted to insure such cleanup. Reactionaries will make use of the doings of the Boves and Fays to hamstring labor as a whole.

Because of the growing indignation in labor's own ranks against racketeers or their type, there have been increasing attempts to stifle rank and file expression and democracy in labor ranks. We saw it when Joseph Ryan of the Longshoremen had himself reelected president for life; when John L. Lewis raised his term to four years and when David Dubinsky of the garment workers increased the span between conventions and elections in his union to four years. And these are the gentry who howl loudest for "free trade unionism" and are against having anything to do with the labor movement of the Soviet Union.

The entire labor movement faces the question: will labor clean its own ranks, or will others, whose purposes are far from constructive, exploit the work of racketeers to harm the entire labor movement?

## They're Saying in Washington

## It's Up to the People

By Adam Lapin

WASHINGTON. CIO COUNSEL Lee Pressman has suggested that labor's drive for wage adjustments has lacked the spirit and the breadth of scope that characterized the election campaign last fall. The same point might well be made of labor's general legislative activities in the last few months.

PAC was so remarkably successful for two reasons. It harnessed the enthusiasm and vigor of a youthful labor movement in a great crusade for the reelection of the President. But labor was also part of a larger movement. It did not work in isolation. It was part of a vast crusade.

It was perhaps inevitable that there should be something of a letdown after the elections. In the mid-west last October I saw union men and women working day and night on the campaign at a fever pitch which could not be indefinitely sustained. These people no doubt needed a bit of a vacation. And then the successful election returns seemed to remove some of the urgency which had been present before.

### Now It's Time For Work

But now the time for a let-down is over. The greatest issues which ever confronted our nation will be

battled out in the next few months. The President has put up to Congress the momentous question of American participation in a world security organization.

The Senate should have a treaty before it embodying the Dumbarton Oaks plan soon after the San Francisco conference, say in May or June. The House Banking and Currency Committee is beginning hearings on the Bretton Woods plan for international economic cooperation. Confirmation of Henry Wallace was only one round in the continuing fight for full employment after the war. Congress will have to deal with this issue again and again in the months ahead.

Groups with a strong middle-class appeal like the League of Women Voters and Americans United have launched considerable activity on Bretton Woods and Dumbarton Oaks. This is all to the good. But the labor movement has not yet made itself felt on these broad national and international delegation.

### Labor's Experience

There have been a number of union delegations on Capitol Hill in recent months. While they have discussed some legislative issues with Senators and Congressmen, the primary emphasis has been on bringing the Little Steel formula up to date. There has been missing some of the intensive lobbying which was noticeable on anti-labor bills like the Smith-Conally Act or some of the big price control fights of the last two years.

Labor has gained immensely in political and legislative experience. It has also learned how to work in community legislative councils and organizations embracing non-

labor groups. Now is the time to begin reviving these organizations, to ready all the machinery of intensive legislative activity.

It will not be easy. The principal tactic of the opponents of international cooperation will be to confuse the issue, to raise involved technical points which will seem too involved to be important.

The American Bankers Association pays lip service to the principles of Bretton Woods, and then proceeds to make apparently technical proposals for eliminating the international monetary fund which would wreck the whole plan. Senators opposed to Dumbarton Oaks will no doubt also say that they are also for an international security organization, but that they have a few questions about the voting procedure or on whether the American delegate should have any power to do anything. To get people to see the larger issues involved under these circumstances will be tough, but it is all the more important.

President Roosevelt said that in the last analysis Congress would decide whether his trip to Yalta was fruitful, whether a peaceful and prosperous world will actually be achieved out of this world. But in a real sense the President spoke also to the American people.

The initial response in Congress to the Yalta conference, to the President's speech to Congress and to the voting procedure for the Dumbarton Oaks Security Council has been overwhelming favorable. But there is no assurance yet of a two-thirds vote in the Senate. It will take pressure from the people, and it will take more leadership and activity on the part of labor than has yet been in evidence.

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And now all he splatters is spleen.  
—B. M.

## Worth Repeating

SERGEI V. ILYUSHIN, "the Horatio Alger hero of Soviet air," and the designer of the Stormovik plane, is described by Edgar Snow in the current (March 10) Saturday Evening Post: It seems that General Ilyushin first encountered machinery when he was by way of being a ditchdigger. He had grown up in an impoverished peasant family in the small village of Delayovo, which was days distant from the nearest big city, Vologda. When he was 12, he began to work as a hired laborer, and on one of his early jobs he saw a steam shovel. . . . Twenty-five years later Ilyushin was one of the Red air force's great hopes as it prepared to meet the Luftwaffe menace that was forming over Europe. He was a leading—if not outstanding—designer and research worker in the aviation technical and scientific committee of the Soviet Union.

SENATE BILL 75, in the Indiana Legislature, is the Equal Opportunity Bill, says the News Letter of the Indiana CIO Council of Feb. 19, which adds: This bill would put into effect the principles of the Indiana Constitution. It would be a pledge by the State of Indiana that no citizen would be denied an equal chance to earn his living on grounds of race, creed, color, national origin or ancestry.



# Today's Guest Column

**GEORGE S. SCHUYLER** is the Westbrook Pegler of Negro journalism. Practically every week through his two columns in the widely circulated Negro weekly, the Pittsburgh Courier, Schuyler peddles his subversive poison. The hacks in the pay of the Hearst-Patterson-McCormick gang have nothing on this Negro writer. He is against Roosevelt and all who support him, but hastens to the defense of the acknowledged fascist Lawrence Dennis and outfits like Peace Now; he is "profoundly unconcerned about the outcome of the war," and the United Nations are merely something for him to sneer at.



Running true to the form of made-in-Berlin propaganda, Schuyler specializes in redbaiting, parading before his readers every conceivable slander against the Soviet Union and against Communists in this country and abroad. Quite revealing was his explanation given about a year ago to those readers who had condemned his identification of fascism and communism. "I purposely created this uproar," he said, "because I have noticed that a dangerously large percentage of so-called thinking Negroes has swallowed the red propaganda." So Mr. Schuyler sets himself up (or perhaps it isn't self-motivated), like King Canute, to make the tide recede.

But his real purpose, whether deliberate or

by **Alphaeus Hunton**

not, goes much farther than simply attacking the Communists. Liu Liang-mo, who also writes a column for the Pittsburgh Courier, but of a decidedly different character, used that medium in the Feb. 24 issue to confront Schuyler with a whole series of his criminal allegations. Here are a few samples: "The Chinese Reds are pledged to an alliance of China and Russia against the U.S.A. and Britain if the Communists gain control of the Chinese government." "China . . . is being divided between those two boon companions, Stalin and the Mikado." "The ally (Russia) of today may be the enemy of tomorrow."

Says Liu Liang-mo, after reviewing this poisonous tripe: "Hitler's and Japan's last trump card is to split the unity of the United Nations with anti-communism and anti-sovietism, and it looks like Mr. Schuyler is doing his best in both his columns to serve the purpose of our common enemy."

**THE** greatest menace of this writer is in his method of exploiting the Negro's grievances, such as discrimination in the armed forces, and the Negro's concern about the liberation of colonial peoples. At a time when Negroes, along with all other Americans, should be giving their fullest support to the establishment of a system of worldwide collective security—without which it is useless to hope for any improvement in the status of the Negro or colonial peoples—Schuyler says

## The Westbrook Pegler Of Negro Journalism

of what he calls the "Crime(a) conference" that "nothing surprising came out of it except the callousness with which the subject of colonies was ignored and the little countries of Europe made the victims of power politics."

**WHAT** does Schuyler want? Well, it isn't hard to guess at the answers. A week after the elections last November, Schuyler gave vent to his irritation at the strong support which Negro leaders (and, incidentally, the Negro people) had given in reelecting Roosevelt. He wrote: "As far as a capitalist party can be, the Republicans were right in the campaign. . . . If Negro leaders had to take a capitalistic side, the GOP was the side, but if they were really intelligent, informed and interested in racial welfare, they should have urged their people to vote for Norman Thomas and the Socialist Party, to which the only alternative is ultimate slavery." There you have it! There couldn't be a better illustration of how the ultra-left and the ultra-right travel the same road of reaction.

Schuyler is a disgrace to Negro journalism, a danger to the Negro people and to the nation. He cannot be permitted to continue his slanderous and defeatist scribbles. A flood of letters of protest should be sent by all progressive-minded individuals and organizations to Mr. P. L. Prattis, executive editor of the Pittsburgh Courier, 2628 Centre Avenue, Pittsburgh 19, Pa. Schuyler must go!

## Listen Here,



**Mr. Editor**

### Why London Poles Hate Democracy

Manhattan

Editor, Daily Worker:

In connection with the Polish question, it is of interest to inquire: Why is it that the London Poles have been so irreconcilable to any compromise with the Soviet Union's request, even when it became obvious that they stood only to lose by their stubbornness? Actually, considering that they are interested only in themselves, they had no other choice. Democratic Poland would mean their "finis."

Certainly if the Polish people really had a chance to elect a government they would never elect these fascist, "worn-out-lords." Accordingly democratic Poland is their worst fear, their nemesis.

Democracy to those people is like sunlight and fresh air to maggots.

ALEXANDER ELAN.

### The Negro Soldiers In Italy

Manhattan

Editor, Daily Worker:

An officer friend of mine in Italy sent me a clipping of an editorial from the Stars and Stripes entitled We Are Not Amused. It has to do with a humorous Italian weekly, Pettirosso's attitude towards the Negro soldiers and says in part: "For the possible benefit of the editors of the Pettirosso, a few simple facts might be made clear. The thousands of Negro soldiers in Italy are citizens of the United States. Many of them are living in the cold and discomfort of the Italian front and some are being wounded and killed. The Negro soldier is fighting like all other Americans against fascism and Nazism and for a peaceful democratic world. He is fighting and dying to help liberate the rest of Italy. The American Negro is not a stranger to shoes, nor to literacy, to ideas, to democracy. If Italians don't have shoes it is certainly not because any Allied soldier has them."

I hope that you may find this worth noting in your paper.

E. S.

### Doesn't Like Times Music Criticism

Brooklyn

Editor, Daily Worker:

On Wednesday evening, Feb. 28, I was privileged to be a member of the audience at Carnegie Hall which sat spell-bound by the music of Bach, Brahms and Shostakovich as played by 21-year-old pianist William Kappel.

It was a thrilling performance and one in which this young artist made his formal debut in New York. There were several encores, which only partially satisfied the audience which was most enthusiastic in its reception of the concert.

But, to my dismay, when I read the reviews in the New York Times and the Herald Tribune of the following day, I found that young Mr. Kappel had been accused of banging too loud and not interpreting the music correctly. When are these illustrious gentlemen going to come down off their self-styled pedestals and listen to what the people have to say with regard to music appreciation?

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The opinions expressed in these letters are those of the readers and not necessarily of the paper. We welcome letters from our readers and their friends on subjects of current interest. To facilitate the printing of as many letters as possible, and to allow for the freest discussion, please limit letters to 300 words.

## Views On Labor News

**REMARKABLE** evidence of the real aims of Social-Democracy is contained in an article in the March 1 Jewish Daily Forward by none other than Raphael Abramovitch, the remaining outstanding leader of what was once known as the "Second International." Abramovitch heads the emigre Russian Social Democrats here, most of them long-standing plotters against the Soviet Union and fugitives from Soviet justice.



Abramovitch boasts that he has fought Lenin and Stalin since 1903. In all that period, most of it in exile and dependent on the support of the financially better fixed Social Democrats in the U.S., Abramovitch developed both bitterness and frankness. He heads the plain-speaking school among the Social Democrats, best typified by his associate Nathan Chanin, who runs the administrative end of David Dubinsky's funds for such noble causes as Abramovitch would approve. It was Chanin who hopefully wrote a month after Pearl Harbor that the "last shot" will be fired by the United States and from that shot "the Stalin regime, too, will be shot to pieces."

Abramovitch writes on the Crimea conference: "Even those who believe that the Crimean conference has been a great setback for the democratic countries—and I adhere to

by **George Morris**

these people—cannot deny that for America certain of the decisions of the conference were a big success and progress."

He first polemizes against people in his own ranks who greeted the Crimea decisions. The Crimea decisions appear to be "nice documents." But, he adds, when we go from the theoretical declarations to realities "then we find that the picture is not as nice as it appears." He denounces the Big Three for staging a "cynical, hypocritical show."

Paralleling perfectly Berlin's line of propaganda, he relates how Stalin allegedly had his way on Poland, Yugoslavia, etc., etc. He then gives us the key:

"The Yalta declaration on 'liberated Europe' is an empty shell if it is to be interpreted as an earnest guarantee of European democracy. It is not (an earnest guarantee) and cannot be as long as the Allies cannot, or do not want to, quarrel with Russia."

Thus, as we are told by the chief authority of the defunct international of Social Democracy, the key to everything is a willingness to "quarrel with Russia." Anything short of that leaves declarations "cynical and hypocritical."

Wherein, then, is the "success and progress" in the Crimea conference that Abramovitch referred to? The "considerable value" in the Crimea declaration, he says, lies in the fact that "for the first time in the history of both America and Europe, Europe's order and de-

## Abramovitch Still Dreams Of the 'Last Shot'

mocracy has become the 'business' of the United States." That, he adds, is "an international revolution."

The crafty old schemer and plotter is giving the line to his followers—everything isn't lost yet, he tells them. There is still a possibility of doing something. Now that America has agreed to assume responsibility in European affairs, the job is to influence its policy towards a "quarrel" with the Soviet Union—to join the Chicago Tribune, Hearst, pro-Nazi Poles and others who have the same object, he might have added.

Abramovitch deplures, however, that this "revolution" for American policy is so far only a "principle." But "from a principle the real thing could develop" and he expresses the hope that America will yet have the "opportunity and the strength" to "carry out her 'obligations' in Europe. When that 'great' day will come is not yet clear to Abramovitch, but the possibility for it is "the only real achievement" at Yalta. Otherwise, he adds, on almost all other "important points" the Allies "capitulated to Stalin."

This is the Abramovitch who is the political guide for the so-called "American Labor Conference on International Affairs" which Dubinsky finances and operates jointly with Matthew Woll, William Green and Liberal Party leaders.

Through this outfit he inspires much of the anti-Soviet line of the AFL's leadership and the Social Democrats in several CIO unions.

## Dr. Shuster's Notions on Germany

**DR. GEORGE N. SHUSTER**, president of Hunter College, is very unhappy over the Crimea conference decisions on Germany. To a Foreign Policy Association luncheon on Feb. 17, he explained that the Big Three have destroyed all hopes of a democratic Germany, have divided Europe as a whole, and Germany in particular, into a "Russia and Anglo-American spheres." The only international institution that he sees coming out of the Crimea accord will be the reparations commission, sitting in Moscow. And for the first time in our history, says the professor, free America will tolerate "slave labor" (Goebbels puts it as follows: "All Germans will be deported to Siberia to endure a terrible fate").

As though his seven hundred guests and his radio audience had no intelligence at all, Shuster declared that the Soviet Union had already set up a government for the parts of Germany it now occupies. He called it the "old dream of Karl Radek in 1919," the union of generals and Communist functionaries. But these are double lies—for the Germans Communists never had such dreams in 1919, nor has the Soviet government established any government in German areas. And these lies are particularly brazen from an American educator, of German descent, responsible for the upbringing of thousands of American young women.

The professor then proceeds to make his own proposals. He would hold a plebiscite in the Anglo-American sphere of occupation, in

by **Hans Berger**

which the Germans would be asked whether they wish to become a "colonial state of Great Britain." Should they not respond, the Germans should be encouraged to set up an "industrial democracy" in the spirit of German Social-Democracy which, he says, organized a "republic of freedom" back in 1919. I may add parenthetically that these same Social-Democrats now in exile are organizing in the columns of their weekly Die Neue Volkszeitung a war of the "West" against the Soviet Union.

**NOW** all this goes under the banner of "saving Germany." Yet in reality, Dr. Shuster is proposing to dismember Germany, to organize one part of that country as a "bulwark against Bolshevism" in a new form. This same idea is now being discussed by Prince Ruprecht of Bavaria, a war criminal of the first war who was never brought to trial, and he is openly working for this separatism at the Vatican.

This is an old stunt for German reactionaries in Bavaria, the Rhineland and the Ruhr valley, often practiced since 1918. They offered the same plan then—separate German states in the west and south. Of course, when Hitler was going strong, getting away with the murder of nations and peoples, they were for Hitler. But now they turn separatists in a big way.

I put it this way: if a German Nazi parades as a Communist, he should be unmasked and hanged. But when reactionaries of all kinds parade as Catholics to save their skins and propose to save "Catholic Germany" against Bolshevism, they should be unmasked and hanged too. . . . Sauce for the goose and the gander. And all of this is directly connected with Dr. George Shuster, a well-known Catholic, who also comes forward with the same ideas.

**THE** good professor and mentor of the youth has been quite diplomatic about Hitlerism since 1933, and has not always spoken his full thoughts. He does not now say everything that's on his mind, either. But he says enough. He shows a biased, unserious attitude toward the historic unity of the great nations forged at Crimea. He shows a bias that leads him to an unscrupulous falsification of facts on Soviet policy. And third, he shows himself to be an enemy of the real interests of the German people which do not lie in the direction of playing off the "east" against the "west," nor in the Catholic separatism of Prince Ruprecht of Bavaria.

For no honest friend of the German people can propose that they voluntarily become a colonial state of Great Britain—as against the only alternative which is hard work to win back the trust of human society, led by the Big Three.



# Nazi Faith in East Prussia Was Strong, But Red Army Was Stronger

By ILYA EHRENBURG

SOMEWHERE IN GERMANY—via MOSCOW, March 7.—Six weeks ago the Germans were still firmly convinced that East Prussia was impregnable. There is no denying that defense. We did not catch them unaware—but we caught them all the same. Their defenses stretched to a depth of 100 kilometers. Twenty lines in all.

Only the stupid Germans could believe in the beginning of January that East Prussia was impregnable. In Liebstadt, I found an incomplete Nachweis der Arischen Abstammung (Certificate of Aryan Origin). On Jan. 12, 1945, a certain Erich Schnoller, having decided to get married, began to fill in the certificate of his pure pedigree. He has already filled in the



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columns relating to his mother, father and paternal grandfather. But three columns remained unfilled: the Red Army had interrupted the labors of this pure-bred cretin, and so posterity will never know who Erich's grandmother was.

## NEUTRAL DIPLOMACY

I was in Ebling when our men, after fierce street fighting, saved Monsieur Charles Brandenburg, Swiss vice-consul, who had protected the interests of 3,000 Swiss engaged (officially, at least) in cheese-making. This strictly "neutral" diplomat spent several exceedingly unpleasant days in a cellar, to escape the shelling. To me fell the job of interpreter. We offered the diplomat lodging and supper. He wore a fixed smile; he could not believe he was alive. I would not stop to mention

him if it were not for the fact that he had a notable document in his possession—a safe conduct pass in the Russian language made out in Berne and signed by the chief of the police department of the Swiss Confederation.

"Why was this document made out in Russian in Berne on Sept. 15, 1944?" the vice-consul was asked. He replied with a smile, "Nobody in Berne doubted that the Red Army would take Ebling." They are beginning to understand a thing or two in Berne.

And so are they in Berlin. I fancy that sturdy old fascists in Brandenburg and Saxony are following the lead of the East Prussians and zealously learning to say in Russian, "Good morning. We are not guilty."

These are the first words the Germans learned. They pronounce them quite articulately. But they do not understand one thing: We do not listen to their words—we know their deeds.

# Argentina's Role Up For Debate Today

By EFREN FARRILL Special to the Daily Worker

MEXICO CITY, March 7.—With Argentina's role in the hemisphere scheduled to be debated before the closing session on Thursday afternoon, the inter-American conference here put the finishing touches on a series of resolutions, urging freedom of the press and proposing an end to all racial discrimination.

While some delegations favor a sharp public attack on Argentina's policies, and others are working behind the scenes to defend the Buenos Aires dictatorship, it seems probable that the conference as a whole will invite Argentina to rejoin the hemisphere solidarity, but only on certain well-defined conditions.

These are that Argentina must declare war on the Axis and abide by the United Nations declaration; that Argentina must agree not to make a separate peace, and finally that she must abide by a series of resolutions already adopted here and directed against Axis infiltration of the hemisphere.

Such resolutions, for example, provide for preventing Axis war criminals from gaining refuge on this continent, preventing or controlling the deposit of Axis funds, and finally that all American nations must adhere to the Chapultepec Act, requiring

joint action against aggression from any American or non-American power.

## POLITICAL REBUKE

So, although Argentina will be given an opportunity to rejoin the hemisphere, the conditions are actually directed against her entire role in the past three years. Her adherence is therefore very unlikely, and the conference as a whole constitutes a rebuke to her and a safeguard against fascist influences emanating from her.

In the meantime, great interest centered on the resolution for press freedom. If applied, it would undermine dictatorial control of the press in many countries, particularly Brazil.

The resolution against racial discrimination was presented by Haiti and sponsored with slight amendments by the United States, Colombia and Brazil.

Mexico introduced a resolution eliminating all forms of discrimination on grounds of sex.

Uruguay's resolution against all foreign groups which might constitute a menace to hemisphere security was seen as a slap at the Spanish Falange.

This covers some of the fears expressed here by the Mexican Chamber of Commerce and most Mexican labor leaders.

# Another Yes—But From Dulles: Doubletalk on Security Council

John Foster Dulles, political adviser to Thomas E. Dewey in last year's elections, yesterday approved the voting procedure for the Security Council of the proposed world organization, but added a demand that the Dumbarton Oaks plan be revised to permit easier amendments to it in the future.

The Security Council voting procedure, which requires unanimity of the great powers when any issue of using force against any one of them arises, was made public by the State Department on Tuesday. Dulles approval in a letter to yesterday's N. Y. Times, would indicate that the most sensible Repub-



This skeleton of a German left behind by the Nazis when they abandoned a hospital in their flight over the Roer River seems a lucky trophy to Sgt. Tom Sorensen of Seitate, Mass., who has flirted often with death.

## FOREIGN BRIEFS

### Election in Chile

CHILEAN election returns show that "Rightists" now control 23 Senate seats as against 22 for the "Leftists." 72 Chamber seats as against 75. The term "Leftists" evidently refers to the Democratic Front which originally elected President Juan Antonio Rios. "Rightists" include all shades of liberals and conservatives, not necessary antagonistic to Rios or pro-fascist. If

Rios, as expected, appoints a new cabinet to match the new alignment, one wonders if he will recognize important Communist gains. RIO DE JANEIRO students are protesting the murder of a Pernambuco student at a demonstration favoring Brazil's democratic presidential candidate, Brig. Gen. Eduardo Gomes. CUBAN House of Representatives leaders criticized the Cuban delegation at Chapultepec for its opposition to Crimea and Dumbarton Oaks.

MARSHAL TITO, named to form a united Yugoslav government, told members of the Committee of National Liberation: "There is no doubt that entry of new men from the former cabinet and others into the provisional government will strengthen the national liberation front as well." He hailed Allied recognition of the liberation committee as its "most important victory," and cited the "agreement between the Royal government and the national committee" as "the crowning event of all our work. . . ." Three new YUGOSLAV regents were sworn in at a Belgrade ceremony attended by Yugoslav officials and the chiefs of the American, British and Soviet military missions.

The House Foreign Affairs Committee recommended extension of LEND-LEASE beyond its June 30 deadline.

# Soviet Radio Hits Greek Government Attacks on EAM

The Soviet radio strongly attacked the Greek government's violations against its agreement with the National Liberation Front (EAM), and in a Tuesday broadcast said Premier Nicholas Plastiras's "public security administration reminds every Greek of all the horrors of the Metaxas dictatorship and the German occupation."

The Soviet radio's first statement on recent Greek affairs scored the "maneuvers of the extreme right in Greece," and denounced rightist forces for plotting to suppress Greek liberation elements after first disarming them.



PLASTIRAS

The Moscow radio characterized the pro-fascist EDES organization as "ruffians."

This statement came almost simultaneously with six specific charges of "obstruction" and "acts of violence" made in Athens Tuesday by the EAM's central committee.

## FORMAL PROTEST

In a formal protest to the Regent Archbishop Damaskinos, the EAM charged Plastiras' government with obstructing the circulation of EAM newspapers; further arrests and violence in the provinces; holding thousands of ELAS hostages in prison on Corfu; incorporating former members of the pro-fascist Security Battalions into the National Guard and police forces; arresting patriots without warrants, and collaborating with the extreme right in ridiculing the demobilized ELAS troops.

These charges by the EAM belle assurances recently made by the Greek Ambassador in Washington, Cimon Diamantopoulos, who told the Greek American Council here that the agreement between the EAM and the Greek government will be "carried through faithfully and in its entirety."

The Greek American Council had cabled the Greek Regent in Athens

for further information about the reported government-violations. The answer to the Council then came through the Greek Ambassador in Washington, who didn't deny that EAM journals are encountering difficulties. But the Ambassador blamed "some irresponsible actions of isolated individuals." The Ambassador further declared that "new special bodies of security will not be formed, but the present one of police and gendarmerie will be organized upon the basis of the Varkiza agreement."

## Krzycki to Address Polish Rally Sunday

Leo Krzycki, president of the American Slav Congress and the Polish American Labor Council; Boleslaw Gebert, president of the Polonia Society, IWO, and Dr. A. Penzik, Polish Socialist leader, will be the main speakers at the Poland's Liberation Rally Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at Irving Plaza, 15 St. and Irving Place.

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JAMES S. ALLEN, Foreign Editor of The Worker, speaks tonight, Thursday, March 8th at 8:30 p.m. at the Moshulu-Norwood Victory Club, 3092 Hull Ave., Bronx, on "The Big Three Conference." Admission 25c.

### Coming

ALPHAUS HUNTON discusses "Can the Colonial Question Be Solved Now?" Also "This Is China," documentary film with a commentary by Clifton Fadiman. Unity Center, 2744 B'way (near 105 St.). Sunday, March 11th. 8 P.M. Admission 35c.

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# 800 Demand FEPC at Bay State Hearing

Special to the Daily Worker

BOSTON, March 7. — The most impressive demonstration of unity in the history of Massachusetts took place today when 800 citizens of all races, colors and creeds packed Garden Auditorium in Boston's State House for a hearing on bills to set up a state Fair Employment Practice Commission.

Leaders of government, religion, labor and business joined with such organizations as the American Jewish Congress, the National Association for the Advancement of

Colored People, Jewish War Veterans and the Governor's Committee on Racial and Religious Understanding in support of the legislation.

Among those endorsing the measure were Archbishop Cushing of Boston; Mayor John E. Kerrigan of Boston; Father John Sexton, editor of The Pilot, diocesan Catholic organ; Congressman John McCormack; Rev. Ferguson of the Ministers' Interdenominational Alliance; Rabbi Loth Liebman of Temple Israel; Methodist Bishop L. O.

Hartmann; Matthew Bullock, head of the State Parole Board; John J. Del Monte, president of the Boston Central Labor Union, AFL; and Joseph Salerno, State CIO head.

Answering critics of the bills, who argued that they would be impossible to enforce, Father Sexton said: "However effective or ineffective it may prove, this at least is true, that it records the State of Massachusetts as on the side of the angels."

In a prepared statement read by his personal representative, Mayor

Kerrigan called for the United States to demonstrate its moral right to sit at a council of the United Nations. Agreeing with the expressed opinion of business leaders and others, Mayor Kerrigan said:

"This is a world of colors and creeds in which we must live—and trade if we are to live. It behooves us, out of an enlightened self-interest if nothing else, to outlaw discriminatory practices in employment and to do a constructive job in educating people in the how and

why of living together as brothers."

This same idea was also expressed by Rabbi Leth Liebman who said that greater business prosperity as well as community welfare would be promoted, and our fighting men would be guaranteed equal job opportunities when they returned.

Just what position the AFL would take on this was not yet known. John J. DelMonte, president of the Boston Central Labor Union is a member of the committee for a Massachusetts Fair Employment Practice Law, which has been active in supporting the legislation.

Indications are that the hearing will continue through at least another day.

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# Women Here Hail Sisters in World Struggle

## Rep. Chase Going Woodhouse

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Women as always will help in production which is more and more carried on outside the home. The maintaining of family life in which fine young people will develop, the building of communities suitable for such families, economic justice at home, and peace abroad are of vital concern to women.

## Rep. Helen Gahagan Douglas

California

Our American working women stand beside our working men today upon the vast American production lines for victory. They know that every screw they turn, every bolt they secure, every joint they weld brings closer the day when their loved ones on the battlefronts will return. American women in the uniforms of our country are serving throughout the world—along with our American men—sacrificing with them for the better world ahead.

These women will never be satisfied with the world of yesterday. They are working today and will strive tomorrow to make certain that the sacrifices of the battlefront are not in vain; that through international cooperation, both political and economic, we will achieve the lasting peace for which we struggle, and the economic world security we must have to insure that peace.

## Mary Lou Williams

Pianist and Composer

Women on the battlefield, nurses, recreation leaders and performers contribute valiantly to the war effort today; those on the home front, defense workers, government agency employees and others in voluntary service organizations have demonstrated the capabilities of woman in time of peril. The laudable efforts of women in the home are powerful hands across the sea.

Women will enact a major role in the rehabilitation programs of the postwar world. Our courageous women have and will continue to prove that they will and can take it no matter how difficult the task.

## Bella V. Dodd

Legislative Director, New York State Communist Political Assn.

Our country has reason to be grateful for the selflessness and courage with which its women have manned the machines, entered the armed services and engaged in every necessary activity for total victory. Given the opportunity, the American woman has proved herself mature, resourceful and possessed of tremendous ability. In the reconstruction of the world, all of her talents must be used. However, the total intelligence of the nation must be utilized in helping women to solve the problems considered peculiarly their own—the proper care of children and the strengthening of the home.

## Ray Lev

Pianist

This is a peoples' war in the real sense. The women of our country and those of our Allies are a vital part of this war and are participating actively in its prosecution. It is particularly fitting that we, the women of the democratic nations, are helping to demolish the medieval Nazi concept of KKK.

## Mabel K. Staupers

Executive Secretary, National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses

In all wars, women have played an important role. In this war especially, we find large groups of women serving on the military and civilian fronts. Negro women, too, are thus actively engaged. It is equally important that the activities of these women be extended to the peace.

Since America has assumed the responsibility of leadership for world democracy, we are sincerely

Today is International Women's Day. The Daily Worker presents the salutes of the following American women to their sisters throughout the world. Sent directly to this paper, these greetings express the confidence, hopes, determination and postwar aims of women everywhere.

International Women's Day is a contribution of American women, being launched in 1908 to stimulate the women's suffrage movement. It was adopted by the International Conference of Socialist Women in 1910, in Copenhagen.

hoping that the best example of this democracy will be found within our own United States.

## Elizabeth Hawes

Author of *Why Women Cry*

Women can do anything. They have done a great deal more than was expected of them in this war. But they do not yet take nor are they given equal responsibility with men for the economic and political problems of our day. As long as there is discrimination against any race, creed, color or sex, we will not have real democracy.

## Beatrice Abramson

President, CIO Women's Auxiliary, New York City

The humble housewife has met the test of mature and conscientious citizenship in war, doing double duty on the job and in the home. She will continue her unstinting efforts in behalf of long-term peace and increase her contribution in proportion to the help she receives in the solution of her many problems, especially child care and home making.

## Jane Dudley

Dancer

Never before has there been such an opportunity for women to open their doors and step into a world calling for their help. When the war is won, instead of turning back into the pattern of their former lives, women through experience and achievement can further influence the shape of a new democratic world that will grow out of our present struggle against fascism.

## Josephine Timms

International Secretary-Treasurer, American Communications Assn.

To our sisters of the Allied Nations: The war has brought us closer together than ever before. Our specific job in communications is "to get the message through." However, the contributions of women in all phases of the war effort are countless.

## Mrs. T. Arnold Hill

Negro Women's Leader

The part women are playing today in the armed services, the field of nursing and industry is most inspiring. The contribution made by the women of Russia to speed the end of the war, and their stark suffering through the years constitute an epic. But it is the future role that women must play if they would have a lasting peace. The things for which their men have died, black and white alike, must be realized and extended to their children. Only by lifting our voice for freedom and democracy can this be achieved.

## Grace Hutchins

Author of *Women Who Work*, staff member of Labor Research Association

Most of the eighteen million women now at work on paid jobs in this country will wish to stay at work after the war. They will want—and should have—equal pay for doing equal work.

These two basic facts show the urgency of a program for full employment in postwar years.

## Helen Tamiris

Dancer

I know of no better way to commemorate International Women's Day than to rejoice at the Yalta Conference. The sacrifices and contributions of women in the war are woven into the aspirations of the Yalta agreement. We have the foundation of a new world that will give women greater opportunity than they have ever had for complete development.

## Ellabelle Davis

Soprano

Women have certainly been doubly outstanding during this war. Not only have they unselfishly given husbands and sons but theirs has been an outstanding record in all defense activities. In the future I am sure that they will have a large say in the development of a true democracy.

## Katherine Dunham

Dancer

Woman's struggle for economic and social equality has already borne fruit. Her demand for equal participation in the war effort is recognized. Of great importance also is the intelligent utilization of her role as mother to eradicate roots of prejudice, false doctrine and race hatred which are the seeds of future war.

## Daisy George

Business Agent, AFL Hotel & Club Employees Union, Local 6

International Women's Day is a time for women of the United Nations to focus attention upon their responsibility in winning the war and peace. The basis for this can be seen in better understanding among the women of the world, and also between the returning veterans and labor, regardless of race, creed or color.

## Alice Neville

Member of National Maritime Union Women's Auxiliary

As our gallant sisters in the Allied countries, American women have proved their strength in unity, courage and willingness to work in all various industries to produce the things needed to crush fascism. With trade unions leading, our future will be the hope of lasting peace and freedom in the world, when victory is won.

## Anne Berenholz

National Representative, United Office & Professional Workers of America, CIO

While collar women in the highly industrial state of Ohio are beginning to follow industrial workers in organizing not only for economic but also for political security. Women see the possibility of winning this war more quickly and of stopping future wars through organization.

## Eleanor Fowler

Secretary-Treasurer, Congress of Women's Auxiliaries, CIO

Women have won new recognition through their great contribution to the war both on the fighting fronts and on the production lines. Women in every country are united in their determination to build a strong and lasting peace after this war.

## Elizabeth Olds

Artist

In working for victory, women have acquired increased skills, a greater knowledge of their powers and hopes for equality. The whole world gains as women march forward to social, political and economic freedom. Our increased knowledge and strength must be utilized into the program of the future as part of the realization of a better world.

## Genevieve Taggard

Poet

Because this war, full of necessary destruction, must be followed by tremendous creative outpourings, I greet the Soviet women on International Women's Day. Soviet women have comprehended the nature of this war; now the whole world looks forward to the second task, that of creative accomplishment. In this let all women, whose history has largely been a dark picture of defeat and frustration, find their role as true partners with those ranks of great men who are making possible the heroic release of human powers never possible before in the world's memory.

## Elinor S. Gimbel

Chairman, Greater New York Council for Citizens Action, and the Committee for the Care of Young Children in Wartime

Women have not only taken a large and active part in this war as mothers, wives and workers but have demonstrated their basic understanding of the fight against fascism and for democracy. They assume a dual role—home and job—and they must have added services such as adequate child care facilities in order that they can be first-class citizens.

### NOON TO 2 P.M.

- 12:00-WEAF—Don Goddard, News
- WOR—News; Music
- WJZ—Glamour Man
- WABC—News; Kate Smith's Chat
- FMCA—News; Recorded Music
- WQXR—News; Luncheon Music
- 12:15-WEAF—Talk—Maggi McNeill
- WABC—Big Sister
- 12:30-WEAF—Sky High Orchestra
- WOR—News; The Answer Man
- WJZ—News; Farm and Home Makers
- KABC—Helen Trent
- 12:45-WABC—Our Gal Sunday
- 1:00-WEAF—Mary Margaret McBride
- WOR—Jack Bundy's Album
- WJZ—H. R. Bankhouse
- WABC—Life Can Be Beautiful
- WMCA—News; Recorded Music
- WQXR—News; Symphony Music
- 1:15-WOR—Lopes Orchestra
- WJZ—Woman's Exchange Show
- WABC—Ma Perkins
- 1:30-WOR—Phil Brito, Songs
- WABC—Bernardine Flynn
- WMCA—News; Recorded Music
- 1:45-WEAF—Morgan Bentley, News
- WJZ—Galen Drake
- WABC—The Goldbergs

### 2 P.M. TO 6 P.M.

- 2:00-WEAF—The Guiding Light
- WOR—Cedric Foster, News
- WABC—Joyce Jordan, M. D.
- WMCA—News; Recorded Music
- WQXR—News; Concert Music
- 2:15-WEAF—Today's Children
- WOR—Talk, Jane Gowl
- WJZ—Galen Drake
- WABC—Two On a Clue
- 2:30-WEAF—Women in White
- WOR—News; Never Too Old
- WJZ—Ladies, Be Seated
- WABC—Perry Mason
- WMCA—News; Recorded Music
- WQXR—Concert Orchestra
- 2:45-WEAF—Hymns of All Churches
- WABC—Tena and Tim
- 3:00-WEAF—A Woman of America
- WOR—Martha Deane Program
- WJZ—Correspondents Abroad
- WABC—Mary Marlin
- WMCA—News; Recorded Music
- WQXR—News; Opera Preview
- 3:15-WEAF—Ma Perkins
- WJZ—Variety Musicale
- WABC—The High Places
- WMCA—Adrian Rollini Trio
- 3:30-WEAF—Pepper Young
- WOR—Rambling With Life
- WABC—Sing Along Club
- WMCA—News; Recorded Music
- WQXR—Treasure Star Parade
- 3:45-WEAF—Right to Happiness
- 4:00-WEAF—Backstage Wife
- WOR—News; Jay Johnson, Songs
- WJZ—News—Westbrook Van Voorhis
- WABC—House Party
- WMCA—News; Western Songs
- WQXR—News; Symphonic Matinee
- 4:15-WEAF—Stella Dallas
- WJZ—Variety Musicale
- 4:25-WABC—News Reports
- 4:30-WEAF—Lorenzo Jones
- WOR—Food and Home Forum
- WJZ—Report From Paris
- WABC—Feature Story
- WMCA—News; Recorded Music
- 4:45-WEAF—Young Wilder Brown
- WJZ—Hop Harrigan
- WABC—Recorded Music
- 5:00-WEAF—When a Girl Marries
- WOR—Uncle Don
- WJZ—Terry and the Pirates
- WABC—Weapons for Victory
- WMCA—News; Recorded Music
- WQXR—News; Bandstand Music
- 5:15-WEAF—Portia Faces Life

## RADIO

- WMCA—570 Kc.
- WEAF—660 Kc.
- WOR—710 Kc.
- WJZ—770 Kc.
- WNYC—830 Kc.
- WABC—880 Kc.
- WINS—1000 Kc.
- WEVD—1230 Kc.
- WNEW—1190 Kc.
- WLIR—1190 Kc.
- WHN—1050 Kc.
- WOV—1290 Kc.
- WENY—1490 Kc.
- WQXR—1500 Kc.
- WOR—Superman
- WJZ—Dick Tracy
- WQXR—Fun With Music
- 5:30-WEAF—Just Plain Bill
- WOR—House of Mystery
- WJZ—Jack Armstrong
- WABC—Terry Allen, Songs
- WMCA—News; Music
- WQXR—Whittemore and Lowe, Piano
- WJZ—Captain Midnight
- WOR—Adventures of Tom Mix
- 5:45-WEAF—Front-Page Farrell
- WABC—Wilderness Road
- WQXR—Man About Town
- 6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.
- 6:00-WEAF—News Reports
- WOR—Sydney Moseley
- WJZ—News; Kiernan's News Corner
- WABC—News—New Calmer
- WQXR—News; Music to Remember
- WMCA—News; Music; Talk
- 6:15-WEAF—Concert Music
- WOR—Voice of Broadway
- WJZ—Ethel and Albert
- WABC—Pan American Music
- 6:25-WQXR—News; Dinner Music
- 6:30-WOR—News; Fred Vandevanter
- WJZ—News; Whose War—Talk
- WABC—Richard Eaton—Talk
- 6:40-WEAF—Sports—Bill Stern
- 6:45-WEAF—Lowell Thomas
- WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax
- WJZ—Peggy Mann, Songs
- WABC—The World Today, News
- WMCA—Recorded Music
- 6:55-WABC—Joseph C. Harsch, News
- 7:00-WEAF—Supper Club, Variety
- WOR—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
- WJZ—Correspondents Abroad
- WABC—Jack Kirkwood Show
- WMCA—News; Recorded Music
- WQXR—Lisa Sergio
- 7:15-WEAF—News—John W. Vandercook
- WOR—Victory Is Our Business
- WJZ—Raymond Gram Swing
- WABC—Variety Musicale
- WMCA—Five Star Final
- WQXR—Footlight Echoes
- 7:30-WEAF—Bob Burns, Comedy
- WOR—Arthur Hale
- WJZ—Play—Charlie Chan
- WABC—Mr. Keen
- WMCA—J. Raymond Walsh
- WQXR—Spotlight Music
- 7:45-WOR—The Answer Man
- WMCA—Sid Gary, Songs
- WHN—Johannes Steel
- 8:00-WEAF—Frank Morgan Show
- WOR—Frank Singiser, News
- WJZ—Earl Godwin—News
- WABC—Suspense—Play
- WMCA—News; Recorded Music
- WQXR—News; Symphony Hall
- 8:15-WOR—Curt Massey, Songs
- WJZ—Lum and Abner
- 8:30-WEAF—Dinah Shore Show
- WOR—Agatha Christie's Poirot
- WJZ—Town Meeting
- WABC—Death Valley Sheriff
- 8:55-WABC—Bill Henry, News
- 9 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT
- 9:00-WEAF—Music Hall
- WOR—Gabriel Heatter
- WABC—Shower of Stars
- WMCA—News; Recorded Music

- WQXR—World-Wide News
- 9:15-WOR—Real Stories
- WQXR—Salon de Musique
- 9:30-WEAF—Joan Davis, Jack Haley
- WOR—Treasury Hour of Song
- WJZ—Spotlight Band
- WABC—Corliss Archer—Sketch
- WMCA—Musical Spotlight
- WQXR—Cavalcade of Music
- 10:00-WEAF—Abbott and Costello, Comedy
- WOR—Dr. A. L. Echer
- WJZ—Fred Waring, Show
- WABC—The First Line
- WMCA—News; Psychology Class
- WQXR—News; Record Album
- 10:15-WOR—Paul Schubert
- 10:30-WEAF—Rudy Vallee Show
- WOR—The Symphonette
- WJZ—March of Time
- WABC—Variety Musicale
- WMCA—Frank Kingdon
- WQXR—Talk—Algernon D. Black
- 10:45-WMCA—Mary Harkins, Songs
- WQXR—The Music Box
- 11:00-WEAF—News; Music
- WJZ—WABC—News; Music
- WMCA—News; Recorded Music
- WQXR—News; Just Music
- 11:05-WJZ—W. S. Gailmor
- 11:30-WEAF—Music of the New World
- 12:00-WEAF—WJZ—News; Music
- WOR, WABC—News; Music
- WQXR—News Reports

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# Romain Rolland Hailed Thorez' Return in One of Last Letters

A few weeks before his death last December, Romain Rolland addressed a letter of "affectionate greeting" to the French Communist leader Maurice Thorez upon his return from the Soviet Union. The noted author's letter significantly

## Romain Rolland écrivait le 29 novembre à Maurice Thorez

Mardi 29 novembre 1944

Mon cher ami :

Je vous adresse mon affectionné salut pour votre retour. Tant attendu, en France, votre voix manquait à Paris. Tant que Paris ne s'entendait pas, il ne se sentait pas complètement libéré.

Maintenant, le sanglier effrayé de ces cinq dernières années est terrassé. Parons en sorte qu'il ne recommence jamais. Travaillons à relever la France de ses ruines ! Il faut refaire la reconstruction nationale et la paix du monde par l'union de tous les peuples libres.

Je regrette de ne pouvoir rejoindre pour la première fois le jour où vous rentrez ici. Je vous serre la main cordialement.

Romain

Thorez

Romain Rolland's letter to Thorez greeting his return from the Soviet Union.

## AFL, CIO Radio Shows Have Great Nationwide Audience

WASHINGTON, March 7 (FP).—Reports from the major radio chains reveal that organized labor's radio shows are just what American listeners have been waiting for. America United, the AFL's Sunday program, is being carried on 117 local NBC stations throughout the country and is topped only by the Army Hour which is broadcast over some 130 stations.

NBC said listeners write in from all over the country for transcripts of the broadcasts which take the form of forum discussion on hot

topics of the moment. AFL's recent debate on the nation's health brought forth a raft of requests from doctors wanting copies of the program put out in booklet form by NBC.

The CIO's early Saturday show, Jobs for Tomorrow which dramatizes job prospects in industry, has an 85 percent coverage of local stations affiliated with CBS, the network said, and Labor USA, the 6:45 CIO show on Saturday, has almost complete Blue Network coverage on 130 city stations.

### Ballet Theatre At Met. April 1

The Ballet Theatre will begin a four-week spring season at the Metropolitan Opera House on Sunday evening, April 1. Three new productions will be featured, including Anthony Tudor's psychological murder ballet Undertow. The first ballet of Undertow will have a score specially composed by William Schuman, with decor and costumes by Raymond Breinin.

Another new work, Moonlight Sonata, is Leonide Massine's choreographic version of the Beethoven classic, with decor and costumes by Sergei Soudelkine.

### Peretz Hirshbein Film At the Irving

Peretz Hirshbein's Green Fields, the Yiddish classic with English titles, and the Russian film, The New Teacher from Moscow, make up the double feature revival program at the Irving Place Theatre for the week beginning today.

### New Belmont Film

The Belmont Theatre will offer the American premiere of a new Jorge Negrete film, El Rebelde (The Rebel), with dialogue and songs in Spanish, and complete titles in English, for an exclusive engagement starting next Friday, March 9.

expresses not only his own feeling about Thorez but that of the millions of Frenchmen who insisted that their government admit the patriotic fighter for a free France.

Rolland was 78 when he died at the end of December at his home in the village of Vezelay in Yenne Department.

His letter to Thorez is reproduced at left from a recent number of L'Humanité, French Communist newspaper. A translation follows:

My dear friend:

I send you my affectionate greeting upon your return, so eagerly awaited in France. Your voice was missed in Paris. So long as Paris did not hear it, Paris did not feel itself completely freed.

Now the terrible nightmare of these last five years is ended. Let us act so that it may never return, and let us work to raise France from the ruins! We must rebuild national unity and world peace through the union of all liberated peoples.

I regret that I must leave for the country on the day when you are returning here. I clasp your hand cordially,

ROMAIN ROLLAND

### Josef Hofmann Soloist With Detroit Symphony

Josef Hofmann is guest soloist with Karl Krueger and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra on the WOR-Mutual broadcast Saturday from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Commemorating the 50th anniversary of Anton Rubenstein's death, Hofmann and the orchestra will be heard in the composer's Fourth Concerto. One of the few musical prodigies who fulfilled his early promise, Hofmann played for Rubenstein in Warsaw when the pianist was seven years old.

Krueger will also conduct the orchestra in Respighi's tone poem, The Fountains of Rome.

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### 'Song to Remember' Chopin Music Concert

Herman Schwartzman, concert pianist will give a recital of the Chopin music in the Paul Muni film Song to Remember, at The Institute, 23 W. 26 St., New York City.

Sunday, March 18, 8:30 p.m. David Platt, Film Editor of the Daily Worker will be the commentator. The concert is under the auspices of the Brooklyn Peoples Chorus. Tickets at Workers Bookshop and The Institute.

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### THIRD BIG WEEK!

**ANTON CHEKHOV FILM FESTIVAL MARRIAGE AND 'JUBILEE'** With Artists of the MOSCOW ART THEATRE CENTRAL THEATRE, 42nd St. & 6th Ave. DAILY STANLEY 7th Ave. & 42nd St. "Played with sweeping gestures and rare command of comic attitudes."—N.Y. Times

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**"They Met in Moscow"** Plus... "SON OF FURY" BROOKLYN

**ROGERS** Rogers Ave. On Empire Blvd. LAST TIMES TODAY

**The Rainbow** Plus... "Hi, Beautiful" NEWARK

**NEWARK OPERA HOUSE** Washington & Court Sts., Newark, N. J. TODAY THRU SATURDAY Cont. Thur. Fri. from 6:30. Sat. from 1:30 P.M.

**1812** ARKINO Present

### Folk Music Concert

A program devoted to Our Folk Music will be held at the Brooklyn Academy of Music this Sunday afternoon, March 11, at 3 o'clock. The first half of the program will be given by Tom Glazer, well known ballad singer, and the second half by the Thomas Negro Composers Study Group, under the direction of Blanche K. Thomas. Charlotte H. O'Neal will serve as narrator with the chorus.

### MOTION PICTURES

**RKO** BUY YOUR BONDS AT RKO

HERE IS THE PICTURE ALL NEW YORK IS TALKING ABOUT! **Edw. G. ROBINSON Joan BENNETT 'The WOMAN IN THE WINDOW'** Raymond MASSEY An RKO Radio Release and **LEON ERROL 'WHAT A BLONDE'**

**BROOKLYN** All of Hollywood's heart...and 62 Warner Stars **BETTE DAVIS JOHN GARFIELD JOAN CRAWFORD JACK BENNY in 'HOLLYWOOD CANTEN'** **EDDIE CANTOR FAYE EMERSON JACK CARSON PAUL HENREID JOAN LESLIE** and many others One of the Song Hits featured "DON'T FENCE ME IN"

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**PARA MOUNT** in Person The Ink Spots Ella Fitzgerald Buck & Bubbles Cootie Williams and His Orchestra Times Square

**RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL** 50th St. & 6th Ave. Doors Open 11:00 A.M. "A SONG TO REMEMBER" **PAUL MUNI • MERLE OBERON** Introducing CORNEL WILDE A Columbia Picture in TECHNICOLOR Spectacular Stage Presentation Picture at: 11:15, 1:57, 4:40, 7:34, 10:17 Stage Show at: 12:47, 3:29, 6:22, 9:25

**IRVING PLACE** 14 St. & Un. St. NOW PLAYING **THE NEW GREEN TEACHER** PEREZ HIRSHBEIN'S Eng. Titles

**ACADEMY OF MUSIC** 129 E. 14 "WOMAN IN THE WINDOW" Edw. G. Robinson & Joan Bennett No one will be seated during last 10 minutes of feature Also "What a Blonde" Leon Errol

DETROIT, MICH.

**GREAT NEW SOVIET HIT! FIRST SHOWING 'Moscow Skies'** Glowing Tribute to the Red Air Force! THEATRE: Cadillac 6211 COLUMBIA WOODWARD



# Late Bulletins

## Set to Evacuate 32,000 From Portsmouth, O., as Dike Sags

CINCINNATI, March 7 (UP). — resumed production as a flash flood on the creek was pumped over a barrier dam into the Ohio. Flood waters of the swollen Ohio River swirled through streets of hundreds of cities and towns tonight, and plans were being made to evacuate upwards of 32,000 persons from Portsmouth, Ohio, where workers fought to save a weakening dike.

Throughout the flood area—from Pittsburgh to Cairo, Ill.—millions of acres of farm lands were inundated, forcing thousands of residents to seek higher ground. Many others were unable to reach their jobs in war plants. At least nine persons were known dead as result of the flood.

The situation tonight was getting no better.

Backwaters stood over several blocks in Cincinnati's industrial section, but the big Wright engine plant at nearby Lockland and war industries in Mill Creek Valley here

### Red Cross On the Job

Along the raging Ohio, the Red Cross worker is the first on the spot. Even as the floodgates broke around Cincinnati, relief shelters were set up and the work of rescue and rehabilitation began. Blankets were obtained from the Army, efforts to reach the cut-off communities were pushed. Everywhere in the flood-menaced areas, the Red Cross began its speedy and efficient rounds of service.

This relief for the people made homeless by the flood provides one more reminder of our duty to the Red Cross drive. This is the month in which we can show our appreciation.

## UAW Board Asks CIO Quit WLB; Urges New Tri-Partite Agency

Holding that the War Labor Board shows inability to deal "equitably" with labor's problems in basic war industries and should be replaced with a new agency, the international executive board of the CIO United Auto Workers, yesterday adopted a resolution urging the CIO nationally to consider withdrawing its members from the WLB. The board is meeting at Hotel McAlpin here.

In the same declaration, the board called upon President Roosevelt to replace the WLB with a new tri-partite agency, whose decisions "would not be subject to the veto power of any other government agency." WLB ordered wage increases have from time to time been cancelled by the Economic Stabilization Director or OPA on the grounds they would result in increased prices.

The resolution reiterated an appeal to the President for upward revision of the Little Steel formula.

Despite an earlier statement from CIO President Philip Murray deploring UAW raids on the CIO Farm Equipment Workers in Peoria, the board decided to continue its organizing efforts at the Caterpillar plant in Peoria where the Farm Equipment Union is established.

The UAW, the board decided, will organize farm equipment at McCormick's in Chicago and everywhere else in the country, claiming "original jurisdiction."

The board endorsed the wage demands of the United Mine Workers and instructed a committee to bring in an "appropriate" resolution for consideration today.

### Yanks Have 16 Players Signed Up

The New York Yankees yesterday announced they had received signed contracts from 16 players, including pitchers Floyd Bevens, Walt Dubiel, Joe Page and Allen Gettel; catchers Bill Drescher, Mike Garbark; outfielders Bud Metheny, George Stainback, Paul Waner, Herschel Martin; infielders Joe Buzas, Oscar Grimes and Don Savage.

The New York Giants announced that they had signed catcher Ernie Lombardi and pitchers Johnny Gee, Harry Feldman and Don King, bringing to 17 the players under contract.

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A thrilling rescue in a storm on the Pacific was caught by the cameraman when Louis Rood, Brooklyn shipfitter, was carried off a cruiser by the waves. Rood grabbed a line shot to him, and is making his way to a tanker standing alongside the cruiser.

## The Veteran Commander

### NEW SOVIET VICTORIES IN POMERANIA

MARSHAL ZHUKOV'S troops have pushed through to the mouth of the Oder (to the eastern mouth, to be exact) and have captured the port of Kammin. They have crushed enemy resistance in the fortress of Belgard and are liquidating an enemy pocket around Schivelbin, southwest of Belgard.

Zhukov now stands across the Oder from the island of Wollin, on which the naval base of Swinemunde is situated. Stettin is under artillery fire and the enemy bridgehead east of the city is being attacked.

Marshal Rokossovsky has captured the besieged fortress city of Graudenz and is advancing on Danzig.

Thus German resistance in Pomerania has been completely broken and not the remotest danger can threaten the northern flank of the Soviet central wedge. The Germans along the 500-mile line of the Baltic between Cape Domnes in Latvia to the mouth of the Oder are reduced to a series of tattered pockets in which what is left of fifty divisions is cooped up (there are three such pockets, not to count the small one around Kolberg).

ON THE Western Front, Cologne has been captured in the face of desultory German resistance. North of Cologne Allied troops have reached the Rhine almost everywhere. To the south, American troops are approaching Bonn

and Coblenz. It is quite possible that Coblenz will offer stronger resistance than Cologne because the Germans fear above all an irruption of Allied troops into the mountain area of southern Germany where they expect to hold out for some time.

Prime Minister Churchill has visited the Western Front and said that "one big heave all together" might end the war in Europe now. This is absolutely correct and there is every indication (and hope) that everybody will heave together NOW, and when we say "all together" we do not mean only Eisenhower and Zhukov, but also Alexander in Italy, Tito in Yugoslavia, Malinovsky and Tolbukhin in Hungary, Petrov in Slovakia and the Konev-Zhukov-Rokossovsky team between the Baltic and the Czech mountains.

The great Hohenzollern Bridge at Cologne settled down into the waters of the Rhine nine years after German troops paraded across it in violation of the treaty of Versailles. Symbolically, the Germans have blown their bridges. The curtain is trembling, about to rise on the last act of the war in Europe. There may be and probably will be a sort of "epilogue" of confused and bitter fighting, mostly on a terroristic basis, in the Alpine regions of southern Germany. Ironically enough, Nazi Germany will go to Austria to die. But as far as the "big" war is concerned, this is the last act. The "stage manager" has his hand poised on the bell.

## Draft Resolution on Argentina

MEXICO CITY, March 7 (UP).—The final draft of the Inter-American Conference resolution on Argentina will suggest that her return to good graces depends upon a declaration of war against the Axis, high authoritative sources said tonight.

The resolution states that the "Argentine nation" must put itself in a position to:

1. Subscribe to all the resolutions of this conference, including the Act of Chapultepec, which guarantees frontiers and political independence of all the Americas;
2. Subscribe to the Declaration of

the United Nations.

To put herself in a position to sign the United Nations Declaration the Argentine nation would have to declare war. It has been an unwritten requirement in all cases in the past.

[On the eve of the Mexico City discussion, the Argentine military

government yesterday paid lip service to the Act of Chapultepec, endorsing its "aims." Acting Foreign Minister Cesar Ameghino asserted Argentina wished to repudiate aggression as a means of national policy and ideologies opposed to the democratic tradition of the Americas.]

### Marines Attack All Along Iwo Front

GUAM, Thursday, March 8 (UP).—U. S. Marines on Iwo, attacking in all sectors of the line, advanced against heavy resistance Wednesday, it was announced today.

A gain of 500 yards was cut out on the left flank, with lesser gains in other sectors. Hand-to-hand fighting occurred in the center where the Third Division smashed ahead about 500 yards at one point.

